THE MOST
CHRISTIAN KINGS
DECLARATION OF WAR
Against the *STATES GENERAL* of the *United Provinces.*

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THe diſſatisfaction his Majeſty hath in the carriage of the *States General* of the *United Provinces* of the *Low Countreys*, towards him for ſome years paſt, being come to that point, that his Majeſty cannot longer, without diminution to his own Glory, diſſemble the indignation raiſed in him, by a Treatment ſo unſuitable to the great obligations which his *Majeſty* and the Kings his Predeceſſors have ſo liberally heaped upon them; his Majeſty hath Declared, and by theſe preſents, Signed with his Hand, doth Declare, That he hath Determined and Reſolved to make War againſt the ſaids *States General* of the *United Provinces* of the *Low Countries*, as well by Sea as Land, and accordingly doth command all his Subjects, Vaſſals, and Servants, to fall upon the *Hollanders*; ſtraightly Charging and Requiring them, and every of them, That upon Pain of death, they do not henceforth preſume to hold any Communication, Commerce, or Intelligence with them: To which end his *Majeſty* hath likewiſe Revoked, and from henceforth doth Revoke, all Licences, Paſſes, *Safeguards*, or Protections, that may have been granted by himſelf, his Lieutenant-Generals, and other his Officers, contrary to theſe preſents, and the ſame doth Declare, null and of no force, forbidding whomſoever it may concern, to take any notice, or have any regard to them.

And his Majeſty doth hereby Charge and Require the *Comte de Vermandois* Grand Maiſtre, Chef and Surintendant-General of the Navigation and Commerce of this Kingdom, the Mareſhals of *France*, Governors, and Lieutenant Generals for his Majeſty in his Provinces and Armies; all Mareſhals *de Camp*, Colonels, *Meſtres de Camp*, Captains, Leaders and Commanders of his Forces, whether Horſe or Foot, French or Forreign, and all and ſingular his Officers whom it may concern, That they, and every of them reſpectively, do execute, and cauſe to be put in execution, the Contents of theſe Preſents, within the extent of their ſeveral Powers and Juriſdictions: For ſuch is his Majeſties Pleaſure.

And his Majeſty doth farther Will and Require, That theſe Preſents be Publiſhed and ſet up in all his Cities and Towns, as well Maritime as others, as alſo in all Ports, Havens, and other Places of his Kingdom, where it ſhall be requiſite, to the end, none may pretend cauſe of ignorance of the ſame. *Done at the Caſtle of* Verſailles, April 6. 1672.

Signed LOUIS.

And underneath,
Le TELLIER.

THeſe are to require Charles Canto, *the Kings ſworn Cryer in Ordinary, to Publiſh and cauſe to be affixed and ſet up in all Places of the City, Suburbs,* Prevoſtè *and* Vicomtè *of* Paris, *where it ſhall be requiſite, the Kings Ordonnance of the Sixth of this preſent Month and Year, That none may pretend cauſe of ignorance of the ſame. Done the Sixth day of* April, 1672. Signed

De la REYNIE.

READ and Publiſhed with ſound of Trumpet and publick Proclamation, and ſet up in all the Carrefours ordinary and extraordinary of this City and Suburbs of *Paris*, by me *Charles Canto*, ſworn Cryer in Ordinary to the King in the ſaid City, Prevoſté and Vicomté of *Paris*. In the making of which Proclamation, I was accompanied by five Trumpets, *viz. Jeroſme Tranſſon, Stephen du Bos*, ſworn Trumpeters to the King, and three other Trumpets, *Thurſday* the 7th of *April*, 1672. Signed

CANTO.

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